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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations Room H-307, The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

Ilan Lowenthal

I am requesting \$500,000 in funding for the APLA Health & Wellness (dba APLA Health) project in fiscal year 2023. The entity to receive funding for this project is APLA Able Arts, located at St. Mary Medical Center - 1043 Elm Av. Suite 302, Long Beach, CA 90813

This project would support the expansion construction of APLA Health's Long Beach Health Center. The federally qualified health center (FQHC) serves a primarily LGBTQ population with medical, dental and behavioral health care as well as sexual health services such as STD screening and treatment, HIV testing, PrEP and PEP. The health center currently has 6 exam rooms, 4 dental operatories, 2 counseling rooms, and a long waiting list for services. In order to properly serve the community, the Long Beach Health Center is expanding from the current 6,850 to 15,848 square feet as the organization takes over the rest of the 3rd floor. This will allow the organization to double the number of exam rooms and provide additional counseling and support services to the Long Beach and surrounding South Bay community.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Alan Lowenthal

Member of Congress